

Government Railways.
PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY.
THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER, 1899.
ROSEHILL RACES.
SPECIAL TRAINS FOR FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS
Leave Sydney for Rosehill at 12 noon and 12.15 p.m.; RETURN at 1.15 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. and 1.45 p.m. Trains for horses at 1.50 p.m.
Passengers by the Sydney train from Sydney change at Croydon into the Rosehill train.
FARES (Return): First-class, 5s, including Grand Stand, 10d; 2nd-class, 3s, including Grand Stand, 10d; 3rd-class, 2s, including Grand Stand, 10d.
Tickets at the Central Booking Office, Railway Office, and Railway Stations.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued from all stations to stations (except for distances 15 miles and under) between stations in the Metropolitan Suburban and Newcastle Suburban systems, by all trains available for return until WEDNESDAY, 15th NOVEMBER.
CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS at 25 per mile second-class return (minimum 10) and 14 per mile second-class return (minimum 10) will be issued at Sydney and Metropolitan Suburban stations to stations outside the Metropolitan Suburban area by the undermentioned trains from Sydney, available for return by any train (except the Melbourne Express and Northern and Western Mail train) to and including Wednesday, 15th November, viz.:
SOUTH COAST LINE: 7.30 a.m. to Shellharbour, Wollongong, and all stations between to 7.30 a.m. to Wollongong.
NORTH LINE: 8.10 a.m. to Newcastle, 9.30 a.m. to Newcastle.
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HAWKSBURY RIVER EXCURSIONS.—Cheap Excursion Tickets to Hawkesbury and back, including journey by rail and trip on the General Gordon, will be issued at Sydney and Metropolitan Suburban stations from leaving Sydney at 8.10 a.m. (Monday) and 8.10 a.m. (Tuesday), available for return by any train leaving Hawkesbury at 4.30 p.m. same day.

In addition to the ordinary service and the cheap Excursion Trains above, Special Trains will leave Sydney as under:—
SOUTH COAST LINE: 7.30 a.m. to Shellharbour, Wollongong, and all stations between to 7.30 a.m. to Wollongong.
NORTH LINE: 8.10 a.m. to Newcastle, 9.30 a.m. to Newcastle.

Additional trains will run on the Hawkesbury Line at frequent intervals to Rockhampton, Kooragang Island, and National Park; also on the Milsons Point and Ryde lines.

For the "CONVENIENCE OF PASSENGERS VISITING TO RETURN TO SYDNEY IN THE EVENING," SPECIAL TRAINS WILL BE ISSUED AT SYDNEY AND METROPOLITAN SUBURBAN STATIONS FROM LEAVING SYDNEY AT 8.10 A.M. (MONDAY) AND 8.10 A.M. (TUESDAY), AVAILABLE FOR RETURN BY ANY TRAIN LEAVING HAWKSBURY AT 4.30 P.M. SAME DAY.

CLOSING OF THE GOODS SLEDS AND CENTRAL BOOKING OFFICE, ROSEHILL RACES.
The Goods Sleds at Rosehill and the Central Booking Office will be closed, but the Goods Sleds at Warringah will be open until 10 p.m. for the delivery of parcels. The Goods Sleds at other stations will be closed except for the receipt and delivery of parcels in the afternoon.
The Central Booking Office will be open until 10 p.m. for the sale of tickets and delivery of parcels.

Handbills and further particulars from stationmaster.

EXCURSION TRIPS TO HAWKSBURY RIVER IN CONNECTION WITH THE STEAMER GENERAL GORDON.
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.
Trains leave Sydney at 8.10 a.m. on SATURDAY, 9th NOVEMBER, and 8.10 a.m. on SUNDAY, 10th NOVEMBER. The steamer will leave Sydney at 10 a.m. on both days.
Seventy sails by rail and 20 by steamer.

RETURN FARE, including Steamer Trip: FIRST CLASS, 6s; SECOND CLASS, 4s; THIRD CLASS, 3s. Trains leave Sydney at 8.10 a.m. on both days.

By order of the Commissioners, H. MACLACHLAN, Secretary.

GOVERNMENT TRAMWAYS.
PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY.
CRICKET MATCH, CRICKET GROUND.—Special Trains will run at frequent intervals from Central and Railway stations, commencing at 10.15 a.m. on THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER, and 10.15 a.m. on FRIDAY, 10th NOVEMBER.

WAYWHEEL and BOND LINE.—A 15 minutes' service, 8.10 a.m. to 10.15 p.m.
ABSTRACTOR LINE.—A 20 minutes' service, 8.10 a.m. to 10.15 p.m.

RANDWICK-WATERLEY LINE.—Trains will run direct from Bondi Junction to Croydon at 10.15 a.m. and 10.15 p.m. on both days.

ROCKHAMPTON AND WILLOWBURY LINE.—Imperial service will be run throughout the day.
BOATY LINE.—A 20 minutes' service will be run to the Boaty Line.

By order of the Commissioners, H. MACLACHLAN, Secretary.

AMUSEMENTS.
Sole Lessee and Manager, CHAS. YANNO.
For a Limited Season, Only.

CONTINUED SUCCESS OF
CHAS. YANNO'S
MINERAL, SPECIALITY AND HUSBANDRY CO.
OF LONDON, ENGLAND, AND SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.
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CRITERION THEATRE.
Lester and Manager, Mr. Geo. Rigold.
Owing to the first success of the present production, Mr. Rigold has decided to EXTEND THE SEASON TO FRIDAY, 10th NOVEMBER, consequently
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ful defence of the garrison at Mafeking will go far to redeem the adverse record of the campaign. The reinforcements have not yet arrived, and the results described in our cables belong to the history of the successful and made by the British forces in the field and their determination to hold their ground. So far as we are enabled to gather, the extraordinary armament of the Boers does not help them much against Sir George White and his men, and the facility with which these engagements have been fought shows an evident want on the part of our troops to meet out the recollection of the troops of the Boers. The situation of the

days ago. The white flag tactics of the enemy, which seem to be again in evidence, are in keeping with the Fabian policy by which British statesmen were on from year to year with diplomatic discussions and promises of franchise reform, while both the Transvaal and the Orange Free State were secretly arming at that time. It is evident enough now that when Mr. Cecil Rhodes predicted the omission of the Boers and the timely retreat of President Kruger when war was brought to the verge of the inevitable, he was right.

he was not prophesying in the light of his full knowledge of the situation. The reinforcements now on their way to the front were the most powerful that the arguments of the diplomatists, and I now that the War Office had fully awakened to a sense of its responsibilities, and has had time to get fully abreast of the situation, it should take long to correct the usual mistake of undervaluing the success which appears to have been made at the beginning.

Advances in shipbuilding have been very rapid in recent years, and some of the latest marvels have succeeded one another in so brief a space that people are hardly had time to properly estimate them. We have witnessed developments in the two directions of speed and size, as

applied in torpedo boats like the *Arborea* and others of her class, and the gigantic ocean liners such as the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and the White Star's *Lucania*, which were the former's first victims. The former tear through the water at the surprising rate of nearly forty miles an hour, while the latter with their respective enormous tonnages of 14,000 and 17,000 tons are huge floating islands that can accommodate the population of small towns, and carry a heavy freight of passengers and cargo. The latter, however, are the most vulnerable of the oceanic, indeed, the least voyagers of the sea, for they are the most easily penetrated by a trip round the world without replenishing her bunkers. The tremendous rates of speed, however, that have been accomplished on the water have up to the present been confined to small torpedo boats, and the larger vessels have been the province of a few, probably fewer, remarkable

development, for the Hon. Charles Persons, whose name is associated with success achieved by the steam turbine engine, declares that it is possible to maintain a speed of forty-four knots when the cruiser is travelling through the water at the rate of an express train, and further, when we remember that the finest cruisers to-day are only able to reach a speed about twenty-three knots, we realise the magnitude of the achievement which it is difficult to be brought about.

As a notable feat in the annals of shipbuilding the construction of a cruiser with a speed of forty-four knots an hour would certainly attract the attention of the world, and would afford a most striking proof of the progress of the engineering profession in the last twenty years. Are the Saranah

On twenty-six days to perform the voyage from New York to Liverpool. When in 1840 the Briannia, which was then considered a first-class boat, took fifteen days eight hours to travel the same route. It is now possible with modern ocean greyhounds to complete a journey across the Atlantic in six days, the best of them, indeed, such as the *Urania* and the *Umbria*, performing the voyage in less than six days. We see signs, moreover, on every hand that these remarkable results promise to be followed by still greater ones in the future, in the course of the further developments of the steam-ship and the steam-shipbuilder's art. The forecast of a forty-hour motor-cruiser on the Parsons turbine is a case in point. But while recognizing the importance of this wonderful feat of the future from the shipbuilding aspect, we have also to consider the fact that the time of the actual flow

which it is destined to perform. And in this point of view the proposed speed improvement in British cruisers is less satisfactory. It is a question for experts, but we have Captain Mahan laying down the axiom that in the battleship great speed is a matter of secondary importance, and that the most important qualities are armor and coal endurance. On this subject he condemns the striving after normal speed rates, and also the construction of excessively large warships. In dealing with regard to the latter that a fleet of 13,000 tons have actually little to be gained by the addition of 1,000 tons. It is perhaps, however, as assumed that he is basing his remarks on the line cruiser suited for general types, for it would appear that valuable work might be accomplished by the possession of one or two boats of extraordinary speed.

another way the question of the accomplishment of this high rate of steamship travel is of interest, for it is thoroughly in keeping with what seems to be a spirit of the times, and that is the passion for records and speed. The bicycle is a medium to be secured and obtained by the individual to the right, but this is a side of the question that seems never to enter into the calculations of those most actively engaged in these efforts. The bicycle is one of the most notorious offenders in this respect, and now the motor-car or automobile is fast becoming a more wakeful creature. Every day we read reports of men in various parts of the world who are spending an immense amount of time and money in this direction. If they can clip off the

tion of a second from the best time usually made by man or machine. In the race for the space of an hour, our ambition seems satisfied. To this illusion we must attribute the sensational rivalry along a America, where the rider, welling roads in a boared track between the rails, was paced by a fast locomotive, the objectionable and dangerous side of the rider which led to the death of the men taking part temporarily losing their reason. The automobile tests in France which led to the performance of over seventy-one miles in an hour have perhaps this recommendation that they tend to be confined to the use of the machine that is destined to play an important part in the locomotion of the future. But neither of practical utility or not, attempts at speed-breaking with steam-

p. railway train, horse, bicycle, automobile, and other things, possess a great fascination for the majority of mankind. Some profess to see in this the outcome of the hurry and stress of modern life, which is getting farther and farther removed from the comparative ease and quiet of our ancestors of a generation or two ago. Doctors are of opinion that with

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IN PARLIAMENT.

After disposing of some formal business the Legislative Council proceeded to the resumption of the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of the Navigation Amendment Bill. Mr. C. G. Haydon gave a general support to the measure, and pointed out that if a majority of the House was of opinion that there were some amendments to be made, it would be better to amend the bill than to reject it. Mr. Haydon said that he was not in a position to say whether the bill would be amended or not, but he was sure that it would be amended. The bill was then read a second time.

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SECOND EDITION.

HERALD OFFICE, 6 a.m.

THE WAR.

A BOER RUSE.

DEFENCE OF JOHANNESBURG.

RETURNING LANCERS.

THE ENGAGEMENT AT COLSEN.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The Boers have endeavored by a ruse to ascertain the effect of their artillery fire at Elands Laagte. An artillery officer, disguised as an ambulance driver, during the true on Thursday brought some wounded Boers into Ladysmith, hoping to observe the effect of the Boer shells after Elands Laagte.

It is reported that all the Johannesburg garrison has gone to the front, leaving only one gun and a few police. Major-General French, who is going to meet General Sir Redvers Buller, left Ladysmith by the last train.

The "Daily Chronicle" states that five of the New South Wales Lancers are returning to Australia on account of their health, and that in the case of 15 others their employers refuse to extend their leave of absence.

The British cavalry skirted the hill positions were stated to be small shopkeepers. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived.

Many of the members in the chamber jumped to their feet as the Chairman called out the names of the members who were present. The names of the members who were present were called out by the Chairman.

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SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE DRUCE CASE.

LONDON, Nov. 7.

The £250 bonds issued by Mrs. Druce in connection with the prosecution of a claim on behalf of her son to the Duke of Portland were offered for sale by auction and realized 2s each.

The Board of Trade returns for October have been published. They show that the value of the imports had increased by £5,531,616, and the value of the exports had increased by £4,836,002, as compared with the imports and exports for the corresponding month of last year.

At a meeting at Vienna yesterday a fatal accident occurred. G. Rumbold, the well-known English jockey, was thrown during a race. The horses following trampled upon him, and he was killed.

The Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia has unanimously resolved to dissolve, in order to amalgamate with the Australian Estate Company. The shareholders of the Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia have unanimously resolved to dissolve.

The Brisbane Tin Mines Company, Tasmania, has secured the option of the Messrs. Krusk's mine. This will facilitate the early dotation of the mines with a large capital.

Dr. G. Elliott Smith, of Sydney, has been elected a fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge University. Dr. G. Elliott Smith, of Sydney, has been elected a fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge University.

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At the auction sales of Australasian tallow today 1950 casks were offered, of which 925 were sold. Fine mutton realized 28s 6d, medium mutton, 26s 6d; fine beef, 27s; medium beef, 26s 3d.

The monthly meeting of the Dairy Board yesterday reported that 19 samples of butter had been received at the depot for the latest instituted butter competition. It was decided to request the Victorian Department of Agriculture to allow an expert to sit as judge.

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THE TRANSVAAL WAR.

BATTLE NEAR COLSEN.

THE BOERS COMPLETELY ROUTED.

GREAT SLAUGHTER IN THEIR RANKS.

NEARLY 1000 REPORTED KILLED.

TWO THOUSAND CAPTURED.

THE ENGAGEMENT AT BESTERS.

SPLENDID WORK BY THE GORDON HIGHLANDERS.

BOMBARDMENT OF MAPEKING.

BOERS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSS.

LONDON, Nov. 7.

Further particulars of the evacuation of Colenso by the British state that the enemy's long-range guns in the vicinity helped to determine the withdrawal of the troops from the town.

The movement was effected secretly and in an admirable manner, the British marching a distance of 30 miles, for the most part over hilly country.

Native eye-witnesses of Thursday's battle at Tatham's Farm report that the Boers, having been caught in the open, raised the white flag and afterwards fled in close ranks. The Boers, having been caught in the open, raised the white flag and afterwards fled in close ranks.

Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the war correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph," estimates that the Boers lost from 800 to 1000 men, and the British 100.

An attempt has been made on the Fraserburg road, about 280 miles from Capetown, to wreck a train conveying Capetown volunteers to the front.

The committee yesterday called to Sir Julian Salomons (Agent-General for New South Wales), announcing the formation of the New South Wales Volunteer Force. The committee yesterday called to Sir Julian Salomons (Agent-General for New South Wales), announcing the formation of the New South Wales Volunteer Force.

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Her Majesty the Queen, telegraphing to the company assembled at the annual dinner in celebration of the battle of Inkermann, at Portsmouth, said that the present war in South Africa vividly recalled the Crimean campaign.

Lady Randolph Churchill, who undertook to provide an American hospital ship for the treatment of the wounded, will, with other American ladies, accompany the vessel.

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THE NEW SOUTH WALES CONTINGENT.

THE KENT AT ALBANY.

DELAY IN COALING.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

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THE TATHAM'S FARM ENGAGEMENT.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR A DEMONSTRATION.

MEETING OF CITIZENS.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

A public meeting of the citizens of Newcastle convened by the Mayor (Alderman Tatham) was held at the Town Hall last night for the purpose of making suitable arrangements for the entertainment of the balance of the troops leaving Newcastle on Saturday next for the Transvaal.

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THE LANCER CONTINGENT.

DISCUSSION IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

LONDON, Nov. 7.

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THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1899.

THE WAR.

A BOER RUSE.

DEFENCE OF JOHANNESBURG.

RETURNING LANCERS.

THE ENGAGEMENT AT COLSEN.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The Boers have endeavored by a ruse to ascertain the effect of their artillery fire at Elands Laagte. An artillery officer, disguised as an ambulance driver, during the true on Thursday brought some wounded Boers into Ladysmith, hoping to observe the effect of the Boer shells after Elands Laagte.

It is reported that all the Johannesburg garrison has gone to the front, leaving only one gun and a few police. Major-General French, who is going to meet General Sir Redvers Buller, left Ladysmith by the last train.

The British cavalry skirted the hill positions were stated to be small shopkeepers. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived. The Boers, however, were not so easily deceived.

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THE TRANSVAAL WAR.

BATTLE NEAR COLSEN.

THE BOERS COMPLETELY ROUTED.

GREAT SLAUGHTER IN THEIR RANKS.

NEARLY 1000 REPORTED KILLED.

TWO THOUSAND CAPTURED.

THE ENGAGEMENT AT BESTERS.

SPLENDID WORK BY THE GORDON HIGHLANDERS.

BOMBARDMENT OF MAPEKING.

BOERS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSS.

LONDON, Nov. 7.

Further particulars of the evacuation of Colenso by the British state that the enemy's long-range guns in the vicinity helped to determine the withdrawal of the troops from the town.

The movement was effected secretly and in an admirable manner, the British marching a distance of 30 miles, for the most part over hilly country.

Native eye-witnesses of Thursday's battle at Tatham's Farm report that the Boers, having been caught in the open, raised the white flag and afterwards fled in close ranks. The Boers, having been caught in the open, raised the white flag and afterwards fled in close ranks.

Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the war correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph," estimates that the Boers lost from 800 to 1000 men, and the British 100.

An attempt has been made on the Fraserburg road, about 280 miles from Capetown, to wreck a train conveying Capetown volunteers to the front.

The committee yesterday called to Sir Julian Salomons (Agent-General for New South Wales), announcing the formation of the New South Wales Volunteer Force. The committee yesterday called to Sir Julian Salomons (Agent-General for New South Wales), announcing the formation of the New South Wales Volunteer Force.

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Her Majesty the Queen, telegraphing to the company assembled at the annual dinner in celebration of the battle of Inkermann, at Portsmouth, said that the present war in South Africa vividly recalled the Crimean campaign.

Lady Randolph Churchill, who undertook to provide an American hospital ship for the treatment of the wounded, will, with other American ladies, accompany the vessel.

The Eskort commander of the "Morning Post" reported that a British detachment shelled a Boer column advancing upon Colenso in the open. The Eskort commander of the "Morning Post" reported that a British detachment shelled a Boer column advancing upon Colenso in the open.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES CONTINGENT.

THE KENT AT ALBANY.

DELAY IN COALING.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

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THE TATHAM'S FARM ENGAGEMENT.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR A DEMONSTRATION.

MEETING OF CITIZENS.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.</

